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TOTAL CLAIMS	35	MINUS	35	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	5	= 0	X \$80	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$270	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$390.00	3RD MONTH \$890.00	4TH MONTH \$1390.00		\$ 0
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Sir:

The following is a preliminary amendment.

Amendments

Please delete the Abstract of the Disclosure and replace it with the following replacement section:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A digital camera stores and compares colors. In one exemplary embodiment, a color associated with a candidate specimen is compared with a reference color stored in the digital camera, the difference between the colors is reported graphically, and a signal is given when the colors differ by less than a predetermined tolerance. Illuminant normalization may also be employed to ensure accurate color comparisons.